

Arlington School District  
Regular Meeting  
April 25, 2018  
Meeting Minutes

**Board Members Present:** Nicol Whalen, Matthew Bykowski, Robert Zink, Jeff Tilley, Todd Wilkins.

**Administration Present:** William Bazyk, Deanne Lacoste.

**Audience Present:** Rich Lederer, Jamie Paustian, Shannon Guy-Crosslin, Celeste Keel, Luisa Millington, Vicky Corey, Mark Corey, Errin Pickering, Hooper Pickering, Andrew McKeever, Jack McDonough (GNAT-TV).

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**Call to Order:**

Nicol Whalen called the Arlington School District Board Meeting to order at 6:06 pm

**Public Comments:** None

**Approval of Meeting Minutes:**

Nicol Whalen made a motion to approve the meeting minutes from March 28, 2018. Moved by Jeff Tilley. Second by Todd Wilkins. All in favor.

**Report of the Principals:**

*Deanne Lacoste – Fisher Elementary School – Principal*

- Parent conferences were well attended
- Huge success with the Red Carpet Evening and the Poetry Slam
- Visit from Southern Vermont Men's Soccer Team – they all read to the students
- Pre-K registration is nearing completion
- Summer camp registrations have been sent home to parents
- Change of entrance to building procedures
- Trauma team attended a workshop on April 4, 2018
- Mindset / Mindfulness training
- Continuing to work with Great Schools Partnership for professional development

*Tim Stewart – Arlington Memorial High School – Principal*

Tim Stewart not present at meeting.

**Report of the Superintendent of Schools:**

*Act 46 AOE Meeting and Outcomes* – William Bazyk and Nicole Whalen both stated that it looks like at this point that the BVSU will be placed with the BRSU. Given that prediction, William Bazyk and Nicol Whalen met with representatives of the BRSU. Both BVSU & BRSU have agreed that this is an eventual outcome. The terms need to be worked out at this point in time. It is almost impossible for the transition for both sides to happen by 2019. It was suggested to host a community information meeting to let the town people know of the board's decision to submit a letter to the Vermont Agency of Education with a decision and proposed timeline. The letter will be submitted the week of April 30, 2018.

**Special Meeting:** There will be a special meeting posted in the beginning of next week. William Bazyk will finalize a date/time. The purpose of this meeting is to notify the public of the BVSU decision on Act 46.

*Facilities Project siding issue* – Jamie Paustian spoke to the board members about the siding and instillation for the gymnasium. Should there be siding or stucco? There was a discussion about the many different things that are happening with regards to the construction. The demolition of the gymnasium is almost completely done. The board members decided that the siding needs to be installed and not use the stucco.

*Middle School Tuition* – Todd Wilkins had a few concerns about not having Sunderland students be able to come to AMHS for middle school grades. It was brought to his attention that by law, whatever tuition prices are offered to Sunderland must be offered to all choice schools. There was a brief discussion about this.

*Last Student/Teacher/Para Day*

The last student day will be June 12, 2018.  
The last Teacher day will be June 19, 2018.  
The last Paraprofessional day will be June 18, 2018

**Appointments / Resignations:** Tabled until next meeting.

**Executive Session:** Nicol Whalen made a motion to adjourn to Executive Session at 7:05 pm for the purpose of Principal Contract / Teacher Contract. Moved by Matthew Bykowski. Second by Robert Zink. All in favor.  
Executive Session adjourned at 7:40 pm. No action taken.

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**Other Business:**

*Approve new AMHS Faculty Position:*

Nicol Whalen made a motion to approve a new position of .3 Health Teacher and .7 Tech Ed Teacher. Moved by Todd Wilkins. Second by Matthew Bykowski. All in favor.

**Warrants:**

After all warrants were reviewed they were signed.

**Next Meeting Date:**

The next meeting date for the Arlington School District Board Meeting is scheduled for May 23, 2018 at 6:00 pm.

**Adjournment:**

The Arlington School District Board Meeting adjourned at 7:45 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Kendell Jennings  
Recorder

**THESE MEETING MINUTES ARE IN DRAFT FORM ONLY. THEY ARE NOT FINAL UNTIL THE BOARD MEMBERS HAVE VOTED ON THEM AND THE BOARD CLERK HAS SIGNED THEM.**

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Robert Zink – Board Clerk

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